

PENTAGON  
OPERATIONS DIRECTORATE

C, FTDTL

ROUTINE

ZYUW RUWTNFA0998 2611921

R 181705Z SEP 86

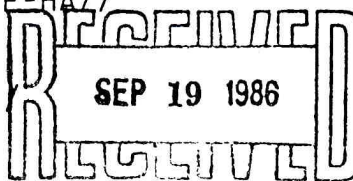
FM CDR USAHSC FT SAM HOUSTON TX //HSPE-HA//

TO CDRWRAMC WASHDC //HSHL-U//

CDRFAMC AURORA CO //HSF-DAC-AD//

CDR USAG FT DETRICK MD //HSD-PD//

ACCT DA-BHCSVD



UNCLAS

QQQQ

SUBJ CHANGE IN NANOGRAM TESTING LEVELS FOR DRUGS

A. HQDA DAPE-HRL-A 151909Z SEP 86.

1. REFERENCED MSG IS QUOTED IN PART.

"ON 1 OCT 86 THE NANOGRAM (NG) LEVELS REQUIRED TO REPORT A GIVEN SAMPLE AS POSITIVE FOR DRUG TESTING PURPOSES WILL BE LOWERED THROUGHOUT DOD. THE LEVEL FOR MARIJUANA IS DROPPING FROM 20 NG TO 15 NG. THE LEVEL FOR COCAINE IS FROM 300 NG TO 150 NG. THE LEVELS FOR THE INITIAL SCREEN USING RADIOIMMUNOASSAY WILL NOT BE CHANGED.

PROJECTED CHANGE IN POSITIVE RATE:

MARIJUANA UP FROM 5.75 PERCENT TO 6.5 PERCENT.

COCAINE UP FROM 0.8 PERCENT TO 1.0 PERCENT.

THIS COULD LEAD TO 6,000 ADDITIONAL POSITIVE IDENTIFICATIONS PER YEAR. THE INCREASED SENSITIVITY OF THE TEST MEANS THAT A CASUAL OR SPORADIC DRUG USER WHO HAS ESCAPED DETECTION IN THE PAST WILL NOW BE IDENTIFIED. THIS INFORMATION MUST BE GIVEN THE WIDEST DISSEMINATION THROUGHOUT YOUR ORGANIZATIONS DOWN TO THE LOWEST SOLDIER LEVEL."

2. DA HAS ESTABLISHED A CONTRACT FOR DRUG TESTING WHICH TESTS FOR THREE ADDITIONAL DRUGS. IN ADDITION TO COCAINE AND THC, THIS CONTRACT WILL TEST FOR AMPHETAMINES, BARBITURATES, AND OPIATES.

3. THIS INFORMATION SHOULD BE GIVEN THE WIDEST DISSEMINATION ON YOUR INSTALLATION. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION HAS BEEN FURNISHED THE INSTALLATION ADCOS CONCERNING TESTING PROCEDURES AND QUOTA ASSIGNMENTS.

4. POC FOR THIS HQ IS MAJ ROBINSON, AUTOVON 471-6841/6842. BT

ACTION WRAMC(3)

(7,F)

MCN=86261/29621

TOR=86261/2123Z

TAD=86261/2127Z

CDSN=MAD919

PAGE 1 OF 1  
181705Z SEP 86

UNCLASSIFIED